

CRAWFORD COUNTY DIRECTORY

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 Sheriff.....D. London.
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 Judge of Probate.....A. Taylor.
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 Grove Township.....O. J. Bell.
 South Branch.....Ira H. Richardson.
 Beaver Creek.....W. Batterson.
 Maple Forest.....Dyane Willett.
 Grayling.....R. S. Babbitt.
 Fredericville.....John P. Hum.
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W. A. MASTERS, NOTARY PUBLIC.
 Office at the residence of Mr. M. F. Davis.
 \$5 to \$20 per day at home. Samples sent
 868 a week in your own town. Terms and \$5
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A. H. SWARTHOUT,
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 Business in adjoining Counties solicited.
 Real Estate, Insurance, & Collection Agt.
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HAVE YOUR
JOB PRINTING
 DONE AT THE
 AVALANCHE JOB OFFICE.

CHAPMAN HOUSE,
 100 W. 1st and Grand Streets,
 LANSING, MICHIGAN.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL,
 Harrison & Reed, Proprietors.
 Corner of Mill and Center streets,
 ST. LOUIS, MICH.
 This house is first-class in every particular.

Bay City House,
 JOSEPH N. SEGUN, Proprietor.
 Corner of 1st and Adams streets,
 BAY CITY, MICHIGAN.

WE Want 1000 AGENTS
 to sell our "Novelty," and make from
 \$10 to \$200 a month. Circulars &c.
 sent free. Address,
 U. S. MANUFACTURING CO.,
 115 6th Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Ionian Jewel Sets.
 Every lover of the beautiful should
 have a set of this beautiful jewelry.
 Single set 25 cents, 4 sets, all different
 \$1.00. Agents wanted to sell these
 goods. Address,
 U. S. MANUFACTURING CO.,
 See other add.

UNPARALLELED OFFER!
FIRST CLASS SEWING MACHINE
 With full line of attachments to do all
 kinds of work.

GIVEN AWAY.
 Free of Charge.
 Having made arrangements with a well known
 company for a large number of their machines,
 we are now offering them at a very low price.
 Each set 25 cents, 4 sets, all different
 \$1.00. Agents wanted to sell these
 goods. Address,
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A First Class Family
Sewing Machine.
 Having made arrangements with a well known
 company for a large number of their machines,
 we are now offering them at a very low price.
 Each set 25 cents, 4 sets, all different
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PHILADELPHIA PUBLISHING
COMPANY.
 720 Filbert Street,
 Philadelphia, Pa.
 Agents Wanted to Assist in Distribution.

THE TRICK CIGARETTE CASE.
 THE TRICK CIGARETTE CASE.
 The trick little pieces of trickery out-
 rigger one and fool your friends with it.
 Sample 15 cts; or 1 doz for \$1.75. We
 want agents to sell Jewelry, Novelties,
 &c. Those we have are making \$5 to
 \$10 a day. Address,
 U. S. MANUFACTURING CO.,
 Pittsburgh, Pa.

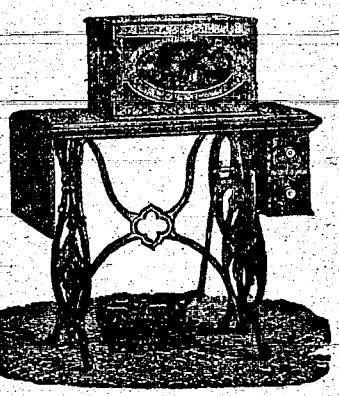
VICTORIA JEWEL CASSETT
 Agents can make \$10 a day selling this
 Casket. It contains 200 Brackets, a
 beautiful Shawl Pin, Finger Ring, Ear
 Rings, Brooch and one large Gold
 Plated Ladies Neck Chain. Sample
 Casket 50 cents. Agents wanted. Adres
 U. S. MANUFACTURING CO.,
 Pittsburgh, Pa.

Extraordinary Offer.
 \$10 Gold Mounted Revolver
 Sent for Only \$3.25.
 Address: U. S. Manufacturing Co.

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 IF YOU WANT
SOLID MERIT,
 And at the same time get fully the worth of your
 money, ask any dealer for the
I-M-P-R-O-V-E-D
 SELF-THREADING



Dauntless!
 The only Sewing Machine made which has
 SHUTTLE TAKE-UP AND TENSION ENTIRELY
 SELF-REGULATING. The DAUNTLESS also
 makes the most perfect lockstitch, has the most
 ingenious separate bobbin-winder, largest arm
 space, and wide feed, simplest mechanism, most
 stylish furniture, and
Handsomest Plating and Ornamentation
 in the Market.

IT SEWS ANYTHING!
IT BEATS EVERYTHING!
IT PLEASES EVERYBODY!
 Sewing Machine Dealers everywhere will find it
 to their interest to order the Dauntless, and get
 Factory Prices.
 For Terms, Territory, &c., apply to
The Dauntless Manf Co.
 Norwalk, Ohio, U. S. A.
 For Sale by
 Dr. N. H. Traver, Grayling, Mich.
 G. E. Smith, Gaylord, Mich.

FABER FANCIES.
 Winter weather.
 —Thanksgiving next Thursday.
 —Wanted—some of the money due
 us on subscription.

—Call on Wm. A. Masters and get
 prices of first-class Sewing Machines.
 —New furniture is taking the place
 of the old at the Harder House.
 —Always in order—paying your sub-
 scriptions to the Avalanche.

—The several Supervisors of the
 county are just now engrossed in mak-
 ing out their little rolls.
 —County Treasurer Davis has gone
 Lansing to settle with the State
 Treasurer.

—Mr. James Haire, brother-in-law to
 J. M. Finn, has arrived in town to re-
 main a portion of the winter.
 —It is rumored that a hardware
 store is soon to be an established fact
 in Grayling.

—A large and commodious building
 for general store purposes is soon to
 grace the postoffice block in this village.
 —Mrs. J. O. Hadley, who has been
 visiting friends in Oakland county for
 a few weeks past, is expected home on
 Saturday.

—“What every one says must be
 true,” that “Dr. Sells’ Cough Syrup”
 has no equal for coughs and colds. Try it.
 Price 25c.
 —Mr. David Nichols is putting up a
 structure on Cedar street to be used as
 a dwelling house, just south of the
 Harder House.

—M. S. Hartwick while ranging the
 hills Tuesday “Expressed” a pretty
 fair buck to the Exchange with 30
 grains of powder. Goodnuff.

—A. H. Swarthout is back to busi-
 ness after having witnessed the nup-
 tialistic rights of his sister to the man
 of her choice, in Saginaw last week.

—It is thought that Brown will soon
 open up a pawn shop, as he was dis-
 covered with three balls in his pocket
 the other day. How is it, Fred?

—It is reported that Jerry Colten is
 developing into a “still-hunter” of no
 mean pretensions. He has seen several
 deer this week and is still hunting—
 yes.

—“The doctors said my wife had
 consumption. Tried Lindsay’s Blood
 Searcher,” and she has better health
 than ever.” G. H. Hubbard, Hamp-
 den, Ohio.

—While the west side of the Harder
 House was receiving a coat of paint, a
 snow equal struck the country and the
 painter “jumped the yob.”

—Lots of disconsolate hunters in the
 land about this time of year, as they
 have not been as successful in the
 chase as their anticipations had hoped for.
 A bill is being drawn for the admis-
 sion of Dakota as a State, and it is
 thought likely to pass congress at the

The Fredericville school is now in
 full session with a larger number of
 enrollments than ever, with Miss Pres-
 ton, of Waterloo, Jackson county, in
 the chair.

—There will be Thanksgiving Ser-
 vices at the School House in this vil-
 lage on Thursday morning next, the
 24th inst., at half-past ten o’clock, by
 Rev. S. Edgcombe.

—Our two hotels, the Exchange and
 Harder House, are doing a good tran-
 sient business these days, and earning a
 reputation which will evidently be-
 come permanent, as being good places
 to stop at.

—M. S. Hartwick succeeded in bag-
 ging (don’t understand us to say he got
 them in a bag,) three fine deer, and
 Rube Babbitt one, while on their hunt
 last week.

—While we only received barely
 enough snow to cover the ground on
 Monday afternoon and evening last,
 Fredericville and vicinity received a
 copious amount, which means about
 six inches.

—A word to the wise is sufficient,
 —your subscription to the Avalanche is
 past due. Bring it in or send it in,
 any way to get it in—either in full or
 in part.

—Mr. Graham Burk, of Saginaw,
 and a step-brother of Joe Jones, is
 spending a few days in these parts in
 hopes of bringing down a fine buck,
 but as yet has not succeeded in even
 scratching one, notwithstanding he has
 seen several tracks.

—Mrs. John S. Harrington, who ac-
 companied her parents to their home
 in New York last fall, and where she
 has since remained visiting, is expected
 to return home next week.

—Messrs. Salling, Hanson & Co., the
 enterprising merchants and mill men
 of this village, have lately purchased
 a large tract of valuable pine in town
 28 north of range 4 west, of Dr. David
 Ward, of Pontiac.

—Work on unfinished buildings in
 this vicinity is being rapidly pushed
 forward, as visions of cold fingers and
 toes comes over them—the men, we
 mean.

—Mr. H. S. Buck, of Maple Forest,
 shot and killed two deer at one shot
 one day last week, while the festive
 sportsmen about here can’t kill one
 with two shots.

—A. F. Bradley, of Grove, having
 taken a wood contract of the R. R.
 company, will take his family with him
 to the scene of his operations near
 Fredericville, as a matter of conven-
 ience and assistance, and who will be
 absent from the homestead some three
 months.

—A meeting of the Farmers Club of
 Grove township will occur on Friday
 evening of this week at the school
 house in district No. 5, of that town,
 at which discussion will be had of in-
 terest to our farmers. Turn out and
 make it an interesting meeting.

—Mr. R. S. Babbitt, our venerable
 boot-and-shoemaker, informs us that
 his business is just a booming, and that
 he has lately secured the assistance of
 two good journeymen, and means to
 keep the ball a rolling, and give satis-
 faction in all trade in his line. All
 kinds of repairing done with neatness
 and dispatch, and boots made to order
 on short notice and moderate prices.

—Mr. Chas. Brown, a reliable citi-
 zen of the neighboring village of Fred-
 eric, informs us that a few days since
 while out hunting he shot and killed a
 250 pound buck, while Webster Dolley
 and Tom Lewis each killed one weigh-
 ing some 200 pounds respectively, and
 also, that P. Valentine killed a 50lb.
 doe—all on the same day.

—Mr. Louis Sands, the owner and
 proprietor of the Manistee river, while
 going the rounds of his various camps
 last week, gave some of his foremen
 the g. b. The camp of which A. W.
 Light was foreman having reached
 Portage creek with their drive, entirely
 disbanded and refused to re-enter Mr.
 Sands’ employ.

—According to the Bee Journal there
 are 23,173 colonies of bees in Michigan,
 from which 185,629 pounds of extract-
 ed honey and 732,375 pounds of honey
 in the comb were taken—the average
 yield to the colony being 76 pounds.
 Michigan is beaten by only two States
 in the number of swarms, Ohio and
 New York having a greater number.

—New improvements in the shape of
 a wood-shed, is what’s the matter in
 the rear of Hansons’ store, while the
 same complaint is the occasion of so
 much pounding in Sorenson’s rear.

—Owing to the non-appearance of
 Judge Tuttle at the opening of the
 Circuit Court yesterday, it was ad-
 journed till to-day at 10 o’clock, and
 one more to pass concludes further to-

White Mr. John Hopple was out
 hunting last Tuesday, he looked along
 his little gun barrel, and got one eye on
 a deer in easy range, when it went off
 and accidentally killed it—the deer, we
 mean. He done the same thing twice,
 and his meat is all doe in consequence.

—Don’t ask Phil Moshier what he
 paid for that noble(?) white steed, as it
 was truly a gift; but he did pay fifty
 cents for the halter to which it was at-
 tached. Guess “hoss” flesh ain’t look-
 ing up much around here.

—R. P. Forbes, the carpenter, re-
 turned on Monday of this week from a
 brief trip to Pontonville and other
 adjacent points, and says he was never
 so near being mired in mud before as
 on this visit, and it was a relief to get
 back where mud was unknown.

—Miss Cora Traver, who has been
 so ill as to have been confined to her
 bed for a number of weeks, is up and
 around once more to the great joy of
 her friends, and a great deal of satis-
 faction to herself—and all praise to a
 kind and beneficent Providence who
 orders “all things well.”

—A number of the residents on the
 south side of the river improved (?) the
 beautiful Sabbath last past, to-well,
 we wish we could say of going to
 church, but “alas, and alack!” it was
 to bank up their little—domies. A
 very disrespectful proceeding. Don’t
 let it happen again, or it may get in
 the papers.

—“What would you do if you were
 I and I were you?” tenderly inquired a
 young swell of his lady friend as he
 escorted her home from church.
 “Well,” said she, “if I were you I
 should throw away that vile cigarette,
 cut up my cane for fire-wood, wear my
 watch chain underneath my coat, and
 stay at home nights and pray for
 brains.”—[Hawk-Eye.]

—An English writer who has taken
 the pains to count the alterations made
 by the revisers of the authorized ver-
 sion of the New Testament, says that
 the total number of changes made in
 the whole volume reaches the enor-
 mous figure of 36,191—more than
 six times as many as the president of
 the revising committee estimated had
 been made. The numerous changes on
 the whole seem to be well received by
 the clergy, though some of them have
 called forth the invectives of Talmage
 and others.

—The following is a list of letters re-
 maining dead in the Grayling postof-
 fice:
 Mr. John Abernathy.
 Monsieur Edward Buisier.
 Isaac Dorg.
 L. M. Millsap.
 O. W. Munger.
 Geo. Williams.

—Persons calling for the above letters
 will please say “advertised.”
 WM. A. MASTERS, Postmaster.

—A Cough, Cold or Sore Throat
 should be stopped. Neglect frequently
 results in an incurable Lung Disease or
 Consumption. Brown’s Bronchial Tro-
 ches are certain to give relief in Asthma,
 Bronchitis, Coughs, Catarrh, Con-
 sumptive and Throat Diseases. For 30
 years the Troches have been recom-
 mended by physicians, and always given
 perfect satisfaction. They are not
 new or untried but have been tested by
 wide and constant use for nearly an
 entire generation; they have sustained
 their well merited rank among the few sta-
 ble remedies of the age. Public speak-
 ers and singers use them to clear and
 strengthen the Voice. Sold at twenty-
 five cents a box everywhere.

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W. LOOSE,
 FURNITURE & UNDERTAKING
 Keeps constantly on hand a large stock of
 BURIAL CASES, EXTENSION
 Tables,
 BEDROOM AND PARLOR SETS,
 SOFA, CHAIRS, AND
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 OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS,
 VERY LOW PRICES FOR
 CASH.

SWAYNES
 THE GREAT CURE FOR
 ITCHING PILES

IMPORTANT TO TRAVELERS.
 SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS are offered
 by the BURLINGTON ROUTE. It
 will pay you to read their advertise-
 ment to be found elsewhere in this issue.

NATURE’S TRIUMPH.
Frazier’s Root Bitters.
 If you are weak or languid, use Frazier’s
 Bitters. If your flesh is flabby and your
 complexion sallow, use Frazier’s Bitters. If
 you live in a malarial district, use Frazier’s
 Bitters. If you are down with the care of
 children, use Frazier’s Bitters. If you have
 the blues, use Frazier’s Bitters. If you have
 kept late hours and lived contrary to the
 laws of health, use Frazier’s Bitters. If you
 feel tired, use Frazier’s Bitters. If you
 have abused instead of used nature’s
 gifts, use Frazier’s Bitters. If you feel old
 before your time, use Frazier’s Bitters. If
 life has become a burden and you have
 gloomy forebodings, use Frazier’s Bitters.
 If your hands tremble, and your eyes have
 grown dim, Frazier’s Root Bitters will make
 you feel young again. Sold by all druggists
 everywhere at the low price \$1.00 per bottle.
 SWIFT & DODDS,
 Wholesale Druggists, Detroit, Mich.

J. A. BBHMLANDER,
 DEALER IN
 Fresh and Salt Meats,
 —LARD, SAUSAGE, & C.—
 Game of all kinds in Season.
 NO. 6 LINN STREET,
 West Bay City, Mich.

“A GIRL’S CHOICE.”—It was in a
 drug store of course. All interesting
 incidents occur in drug stores,—that is
 nearly all. She was pretty,—with blue
 eyes and golden hair, one of those kind
 of beauties the poet would have called an
 “angel,” but for the fact that a colony
 of pimples on her fair front pre-
 cluded all thought of a celestial being.
 Bowing timidly to the hand-
 some clerk, she asked for “Swayne’s
 Ointment for skin diseases,” and upon
 receiving it vanished like the morning
 dew before the Summer sun.

“THE DOMESTIC TYRANT.”—“The
 average man” quoth Mrs. Partington,
 “is a weak and irritable domestic ty-
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 to a fault the average man will
 enter the blissful Paradise of a happy
 home, scratch himself in fendish glee,
 send the baby into convulsions, and
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A SHEROYAN editor has been arrested for trying to steal a pocket-book containing some money from his boarding-house keeper. This is discouraging, seems as though when an editor succeeds at anything that there is a conspiracy to break him all up. It would have been in better taste for the boarding-house keeper to have kept still about it and encouraged the young man, after he had got elected to Congress, have presented her bill. He would have paid it with interest.—*Peck's Sun*.

"Then," said the parson, brightening up, "how does Revelation xxii. strike you?—He which is filthy, let him be filthy still?—And they turned away and were speechless.—*Hawthorne.*

BRET HARTE.

Francis Bret Harte was born at Albany, N. Y., in 1837. At 17 he went to California, where he taught school, became a miner and then a compositor at a newspaper office at Eureka, Nev. Returning to San Francisco, he was a compositor, and afterward editor of the *Golden Era*. He held positions successively in the Surveyor General's office, the United States Marshal's office and the Branch Mint, and was concerned in the

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SCENES IN A HOSPITAL.

WE often pause beneath the half-closed blinds of some public hospital, and picture to ourselves the gloomy and mournful scenes that are passing within. The sudden movement of a taper, as it feeble ray shoots through the window until its light gradually disappears, or, if it were carried farther back into the room, to the bedside of some suffering patient, is enough to awaken a whole crowd of reflections; the mere glimmering of the low-burning lamps, which when all other habitations are wrapped in darkness and slumber, denote that chamber, where so many forms are writhing with pain or wasting with disease, is sufficient to check the most bold

A TWO-EDGED sort of a girl: She (bewitchingly)—“Oh, I am so glad you are going to see me to my marriage, Mr. Brown!” He (flattered)—“Indeed, yes, I shall be glad to do so.” And so cause the girls are so jealous, and intend to prove that I do not monopolize all the good-looking men.” Brown was satisfied, but not so happy as he expected to be.

In some respects the gentler sex far surpasses us. No man, for instance, can deliver a lecture with a dozen pinches in his mouth.

“Br George!” exclaimed a Frenchman, “I’ve slept sixteen hours. I went to bed at 8 and got up at 8.”

A vessel with such abnormal draught would be equally abnormal harbors. Such harbors, however, are rarely to be found; and to deepen harbors—for the admission of ships would be commercially unprofitable, unless all the world decided to build Great Easterns. At the same time it must be admitted that our steamships are growing bigger and bigger. The new vessels of the Cunard line are giants compared to their predecessors of thirty years ago; but then they can float in shallower water than is needed by the Leviathan which sprang from Isambard Brunel's fertile brain.

Product of the Mines of the United States.			
<p>About two years ago Congress voted an appropriation of \$5,000 for the collection of statistics touching the production of the precious metals in the United States. The work was assigned to the San Francisco Mint Director.</p> <p>The work of the compilers was completed about the 1st of January. The report makes a large volume of 395 pages, covering the million production in all the States, yielding precise results.</p> <p>The following is a statement of the product of gold and silver in the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899:</p>			
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
Arizona.....	4,000	2,000	6,000
California.....	1,700,000	15,000,000	16,700,000
Colorado.....	3,200,000	17,000,000	20,200,000
Idaho.....	70,000	90,000	160,000
Georgia.....	150,000	120,000	270,000
Idaho.....	1,980,000	2,450,000	4,430,000
Montana.....	2,400,000	1,000,000	3,400,000
New Mexico.....	4,000,000	10,700,000	14,700,000
New York.....	150,000	424,000	574,000
North Carolina.....	1,000	1,000	2,000
Oregon.....	15,000	15,000	30,000
Utah.....	218,000	4,740,000	4,958,000
Virginia.....	30,000	10,000	40,000
Washington.....	41,000	10,000	51,000
Wyoming Ter.	20,000	20,000	40,000
Other sources.....	14,000	14,000	28,000
Total.....	\$36,000,000	\$39,200,000	\$75,200,000

available source, statistics were gathered for the last half of the calendar year of 1880, in the United States and from January 1, 1880, to Dec. 31, 1880. The result shows only a comparatively slight variation from the reported yield for the fiscal year, and is given as condensed outlines of the accuracy of the facts presented above. The purchases of silver-coinage purposes in 1880 were 24,655,600 dollars, against \$28,615,600 for the fiscal year; that \$24,000,000 of this was foreign production. This would leave \$270,000 for domestic production. The amount of silver exported in 1880 was \$7,200,000. If this amount were in the arts was \$4,000,000. This gives a total product of silver for the calendar year of \$38,455,000, against the \$40,000,000 of the fiscal year.

Following is a statement of the bullion production of the Pacific coast States and Territories, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881, as reported by the United States Commissioner to the Superintendent of the United States Mint at San Francisco, Cal.:

	Bullion.	Silver.	Total.
California.....	\$179,225	\$75,255	\$325,740
Nevada.....	2,594,129	7,076,818	10,311,610
Idaho.....	1,641,634	1,076,810	2,620,558
Oregon.....	853,999	69,671	832,284
Utah.....	1,000	1,000	2,000
Total.....	\$25,452,197	\$17,479,553	\$40,942,630

AN OLD STORY.

Every story comes from another story. That of the ragged and thirsty tramp,

of the probable limits of the rises of water to be expected at the different places on the river banks and of the dangers to be anticipated, and of the possible necessary precautions for safety."

WHAT AN ENGLISH VIPER DID.

A party of gentlemen were shooting in the neighborhood of Blackwood, near Gelligroes, when a valuable dog was bitten by a viper. The poor animal almost immediately showed symptoms of the venomous bite of the viper—*fainting, sickness and occasional vomiting*. On the following day the keeper visited the same spot, and discovered the reptile basking on a heap of stones—a number of young vipers around her. When he approached her he could plainly see the mother opening her mouth, and the young vipers crawling in. When killed, eleven young ones made their appearance, alive and active, and of the same color as a mackerel. The length of the viper was two foot six inches, and the young vipers six inches each.—*London Times.*

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In the regular army of Venezuela there are 30,000 Generals and about 60,000 men. That is to say, one General to two men. In a general way that army is not unlike our navy.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

FOREIGN.

It is reported from Rome that the Pope has expressed himself strongly in condemnation of the proceedings of the Irish Land League.

Irish landlords are in great fear that the decisions of the Land Court will prove ruinous to them, and will hold out a premium to indolent and incompetent farmers.

A cablegram from Dublin announces the death of John McHale, Archbishop of Tuam.

Arthur Lefroy was convicted of the murder of Gold in the English railway train, and sentenced to be hanged. Chief Justice Coleridge charged strongly against Lefroy, who protested his innocence.

The Marquis of Salisbury, one of the leaders of the Conservative party in England, asserts that the operation of the Land act will drive capital from Ireland. "In a country from which capital is repelled," he says, "there is little hope for labor."

A report from China announces that the Western Toghui district of that country, in which the work of the Christian missionaries has been extensive and successful, was recently ruined by a terrible typhoon recently.

Two thousand houses of Christians and 200 churches were destroyed, and 6,000 persons are rendered destitute.

Glavin, speaking at the Lord Mayor's banquet in London, announced signs of improvement in Ireland, and said the people are determined to make full trial of the Land act, which will be impartially administered.

The great question before Parliament will be the consideration of effective means to meet the evil of obstruction which has presented itself.

Lord Mayor's day in London was observed, as is customary, as a business holiday. A novel feature of the Mayor's procession was the appearance of the American flag, preceded by the fifteenth drum band of the Fourth battalion of the London militia playing the "Star-Spangled Banner," and followed at a short interval by a marine band playing "Yankee Doodle." The flag of the "Stars and Stripes" was received with marked enthusiasm throughout the whole route.

Lefroy, the English railway-carriage murderer, has been sentenced to be hanged on the 27th of December.

Dr. Carrer, the American marksman, at Hendon, killed eighty-three pigeons out of 100 for a wager of £100 that he would not kill seventy. After killing seventy he received £50 for each bird killed up to eighty.

At the first sitting of the Land Commission at Clare Morris, Ireland, only four cases were presented. The Earl of Buckinghamshire having declined to reduce rents 15 per cent, the tenants declare they will pay nothing. On the estates of Miss Knox, at Ballina, the agent cut the rent of a tenant from £16 to £8.

The African King of Ashantee slaughtered 300 young girls, in order to obtain their blood, to use in mixing mortar for the repair of state buildings.

PERSONAL.

A. H. Wright, Lieutenant Commander in the navy, died of yellow fever at Key West.

Dead at Madison, Ind., Mrs. Sarah Moody, aged 61 years.

Recent deaths: Samuel Ingham, who was a member of Congress from Connecticut from 1835 to 1839; Col. John Smith, for several years Chief of Police of Boston; the Rev. Dr. John W. Moore, Professor of Metaphysics in Hamilton College, and Probationary candidate for Governor of New York in 1879; Surgeon John Hamm, who has been a settler of Fort Howard, Wis., since 1820.

FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL.

The gross exchange for twenty-three leading clearing-houses in the United States for the past week amounted to a total of \$1,365,419,297. It is the largest amount, ever recorded in the clearing-house history of this country, viz., that for the week ending Oct. 8.

The earnings of the Mechanics' National Bank, Newark, N. J., believe that 50 per cent will be saved from the week, and whatever can be got out of Nugent & Co. will increase that amount.

The St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad Company has filed for record in the former city a deed of trust to a New York institution for \$300,000. The Chetochs have granted the right of way through their territory.

An assignment has been made by Hill, Moynan & Co., dry goods merchants of New York, Claffin & Co. receiving preference for \$149,000.

POLITICAL.

The resignation of John W. Foster, Minister to Russia, has been accepted by the President.

FIRES AND CASUALTIES.

Fire destroyed the Eagle Block, in Rockwood. The total loss is estimated at \$500,000.

A loss of \$50,000 was incurred at St. John, N. D., through the burning of Christ's planing-mill and adjoining buildings.

Flames swept away the opera house at Joplin, Mo., in which were several stores, the loss aggregating \$600,000.

A tenement-house fire at the corner of Laight and Varick streets, New York, was attended with the loss of several lives.

A dispatch from Fort Stead, Wyoming, reports a recent account of the poisoning of a party of hunters near that place. They had with them a can of arsenic, used in preserving hides, and by mistake they used arsenic for cooking purposes, supposing it to be baking-powder. Four men had died, and others were sick, with but little hope of recovery.

Three railroad employees were killed by a collision between two freight trains on the Erie road, at Port Jervis, N. Y.

Two miners, named William Jarocla and Ole Olson, and a boy named George Meyers, were killed by the explosion of 400 pounds of powder in the Quincy mine, near Hancock, in the Lake Superior region.

The damage inflicted by the flood in the Mississippi river is estimated as follows: In the Warsaw drainage district, \$600,000; in the Indian grave district, \$750,000; in the Bay Island district, \$1,000,000; in Quincy bay and the city, \$300,000; in and about Alexandria, Mo., \$250,000; to Keokuk and the St. Louis railroad, \$100,000; to all the other railroads, \$40,000; to the open lands north of the Bay river, and immediately south of Quincy, \$150,000, making a total of \$3,805,000.

Three city-tenement houses in New York city, situated on the corner of South Fifth avenue and Grand street, fell, burying their occupants in the ruins. Ten people were killed and two fatally hurt.

The Capitol of Texas, at Austin, has been destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$200,000.

After securing large tracts of coal lands, some gentlemen of McKeesport, Pa., have organized a company to manufacture gas near the mouth of their mine and transport it through pipes to all the large cities of the Atlantic coast, erecting pumps about twenty-three miles apart.

An accident to the elevator of the Beldere Hotel, in New York, fatally injured the porter, and severely injured five persons in the car.

GENERAL.

The National Board of Health bulletin makes the following report of the death-rate

LATEST NEWS.

per 1,000 inhabitants of American towns and cities.

New York	20	Aurora	14
Brooklyn	23	Chicago	14
Philadelphia	23	St. Louis	14
Boston	23	San Francisco	14
New Orleans	23	San Antonio	14
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The following anecdote from the Detroit Free Press tells of a young man who was forced by a mistake to relieve the sufferers by the Michigan forest fires much more generously than he had intended. "A generous young man, having taken a bundle of clothing to the relief rooms Saturday afternoon, asked if they wanted help, for, having a little leisure, he was willing to lend a hand. They welcomed him gladly. So he off with his coat and worked like a major until dusk. Then, looking around for his coat, it could nowhere be found.

"What did you do with that coat, same stuff as my breeches and vest?" he asked.

"Why," said one of the packers, "I thought it was a contribution and packed it up with the other things."

"Where is it?" asked the young man, in great excitement.

"Up the river," was the reply.

"Up the river! What is it doing up the river?"

"On its way to the sufferers. Was it a nice coat?"

"A nice coat! I should say it was a nice coat. I put it on brand-new last Sunday. There were twenty-one dollars in my pocket-book in the inside pocket, and three new silk handkerchiefs I bought this afternoon."

The young man had to wear home one of the "burnt-out" garments, and some "sufferer" up the lake will be lost in admiration at the benevolence of the Detroit people when he goes through that coat."

—And now the commercial drummer will have to go. A combination among Western merchants is being formed to not only protect against the drummer, but to pledge themselves to purchase no goods of him. The New York Herald believes that New York merchants would not regret the change in the present method of selling goods. In many an establishment the drummer absorbs the lion's share of the profits, and acts as go-between so successfully that the merchant never sees the dealer who purchases his goods; yet, when the drummer disagrees with his principal and goes elsewhere or becomes a principal himself he carries his trade with him. Some New York firms, the Herald says, have thus been ruined by their own employees, and there is no doubt as to its truth. Sometimes the drummer is not a bad fellow to meet on the road, unless the man who meets him keeps a country store. He can name the best hotel in every town, tell the exact time from any place to any other and inform a traveler where to buy cigars that are not noxious. He frequently carries a pocket flask well filled, and his assortment of stories, although not available for use in religious circles, is quite unlike anything that one ever finds at home. The hotel proprietor and ticket agents will not part with the drummer willingly, but if the New York papers are to be believed we shall soon see him disappear. What is to be done with him is as yet an unsolved problem. The good ones referred to above can be utilized as missionaries, and the cheeky ones who never take "no" for an answer, but know what the merchant wants better than he does himself, will probably be turned over to the brassfoundries. —(Manistee Advocate.)

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STATIONS.	NORTHWARD.	THROUGH	SOUTHWARD.
Jackson, Mich.	7:00 a.m.	4:15 p.m.	6:30 a.m.
River Junction	7:25	4:40	7:05
Bay City	8:15	5:30	8:00
North Lansing	8:35	5:50	8:20
Bath	9:05	6:20	8:50
Lansing	9:25	6:40	9:10
Reynolds	9:40	6:55	9:25
D & M Crossing	9:55	7:10	9:40
Oakley	10:15	7:30	10:00
Channing	10:35	7:50	10:20
St. Charles	10:55	8:10	10:40
Ypsilanti	11:15	8:30	11:00
Saginaw City	11:35	8:50	11:20
E. Saginaw	11:55	9:10	11:40
F. & P. M. Jan.	12:15	9:30	12:00
Zilwaukee	12:35	9:50	12:20
West Bay City	12:55	10:10	12:40
Bay City	1:15	10:30	1:00

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